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The following observations were reported on the places indicated in SYRIA

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1. QUOCIER AIRFIELD: NIL AIRCRAFT. NO ACTIVITY.
2. HAMA AIRFIELD: 7 FRESCO. 3 UNIDEN UNSERVICEABLE AIRCRAFT. 7 PROBABLE TANK TRANSPORTERS CONNECTED WITH BURIAL OF FUEL TANKS NEARBY.
3. HAMA BARRACKS: 11 CARGO VEHICLES. POS STORAGE DEPOT 600 YARDS SE 7 CARGO VEHICLES PLUS SMALL QUANTITY OPEN STORES. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY.
4. HOMS LG UNDER CULTIVATION.
5. MEZZE AIRFIELD: 12 FRESCO. 3 FAGOT. 4 DAKOTA. 1 UNIDEN 4 ENGINED TRANSPORT. 36 FIAT TYPE AIRCRAFT. 2 UNIDEN SINGLE ENGINED AIRCRAFT.
6. DUMEIR AIRFIELD: 7 FRESCO. 4 FAGOT. RUNWAY SERVICEABLE. NEW APRON NEARLY COMPLETE AT NE END OF TAXIWAY. CONSTRUCTIONAL WORK PROCEEDING.
7. HAMA AIRFIELD AREA: 4 GUN HAA POSITION WITH RADAR 2000 YARDS SOUTH OF AIRFIELD. PROBABLE RADAR STATION 2000 YARDS SW OF AIRFIELD.
8. HOMS AREA: BARRACKS: 17 PROBABLE BTR 152 APC; 30 CARGO VEHICLES 9 NEW BUILDINGS SINCE OCT 1956. MILITARY DEPOT: 220 CARGO VEHICLES; 8 PROBABLE AA GUNS PARKED ALSO LARGE AMOUNT OF STORES. HQ COMPLEX: 34 CARGO VEHICLES: 5 POS ARMoured CARS. POS BARRACKS NE OUTSKIRTS. 22 CARGO VEHICLES. MILITARY ACADEMY: 8 CARGO VEHICLES. SLIT TRENCHES ASTRIDE ROAD ENTERING EAST SIDE OF TOWN.
9. QATANA SW DAMASCUS TO MEZZE. QATANA ARMoured BRIGADE CAMPS: CONSIDERABLE VEHICLE ACTIVITY. VEHICLES PARKED IN SQUARES. NW (ARTILLERY) CAMP: 9 MEDIUM FIELD GUNS; 150 ASSORTED SSV AND GUN-TOWING VEHICLES. SW CAMP: 35 PROB BTR; 52 APCs; 25 SSVs; 6 SCOUT CARS; 5 PROB LAA GUNS. NE CAMP: 40 POS BTR 1527; 2 BOWSERS. ADJACENT DANGEROUS STORES DUMP 9 PETROL BOWSERS. SE CAMP: 45 PROB BTR 1528; 2 PROB BA 64s 2 POS UNIDEN TANKS. JEBEL AANTOR AND FOOTHILLS TO MEZZE. EXTENSIVE EARTH WORKS. MEZZE AMMO DEPOT: NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY. DAMASCUS/MEZZE/MOUDAMIYET NEW MILITARY HUTTED CAMP: CONSIDERABLE STORES ACTIVITY ALSO 6 TRANSPORTS SSVs: 48 POSSIBLE BTL 152.

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10. DAMASCUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS: DAMASCUS/QADEM GHQ ORDNANCE BN. STORES/WORKSHOPS: 31 SSV. HAMIDIYE BARRACKS: 6 MEDIUM ANTI-TANK GUNS. HAMIDIYE ORDNANCE STORES: LARGE QUANTITY GUNS AND STORES. QABOUN ARMoured REGIMENT BARRACKS WORKSHOPS: 285 SSV; 14 VEHICLES WITH TRAILERS.

11. ROADS-HOMS, QUOCIER AND DOUMATO, DAMASCUS: NTR.

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